

# Andy Nkeuna

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## Tie

Andy Nkeuna's project, "Tie," is a personal exploration of masculinity, contrasting his current understanding with his childhood perceptions. Growing up without a father figure, Andy saw the ideal of masculinity reflected in the lead characters of cop shows like NCIS, where the tailored suit epitomized masculine perfection. Throughout his life, Andy grappled with societal definitions of

masculinity. In this project, he reappropriates traditional masculine codes by integrating feminine elements such as bare backs, décolletés, and flowers. This fusion reflects his personal journey and conveys a message to his younger self and others: there is no singular way to be a man or to embody masculinity.

## Material

Wool suits and skirt pants; cotton trench coats; upcycled cotton shirts and sweaters; wool and cotton ties.



